

# Bulahdelah Central School

## Works notification | 5 November 2025

Dear staff, parents and carers,

During recent maintenance at Bulahdelah Central School, 2 areas were identified with materials suspected to contain asbestos.

### **Storerooms in Building A**

On Tuesday 28 October, flooring suspected to contain asbestos was uncovered in the storerooms next to the computer rooms in Building A. The flooring was securely covered and the area was immediately isolated as a precaution. An independent hygienist was engaged to test the flooring and provide advice.

### **Walkway between the hall and Building F**

On Friday 31 October, a crack was found in an eave in the covered walkway connecting the hall to Building F. The area was isolated and fenced off as a precaution. An independent hygienist was engaged to test the material and provide advice.

### **What we are doing**

Testing confirmed that both the flooring and the eave contained bonded asbestos.

NSW Health explains that “living or working with asbestos, or just being around it, is a low risk to your health as long as the asbestos is in good condition and not damaged”.

Both locations are not in areas identified on the School Asbestos Management Plan (SAMP). The plan will be updated to include these recent finds as required. Work to remediate the asbestos-containing material is being organised and will take place shortly, outside of school hours.

The storerooms in Building A and the covered walkway will remain closed until the materials have been removed. The independent hygienist has confirmed that school activities can continue as normal outside these areas.

All work will be done in accordance with work health and safety laws and the NSW Department of Education’s Asbestos Management Plan. Safety measures including air monitoring will be in place while work is being done. All work will be completed by licensed asbestos contractors and inspected by independent hygienists.

The health, safety, and wellbeing of all members of our school and the local community are our highest priorities. Thank you for your cooperation during this important work.

### **Did you know?**

Bulahdelah Central School’s working agricultural farm (1 of only 300 in the state) provides students with hands-on experience through VET Primary Industries, equipping them with real-world skills in animal husbandry, crop production, and sustainable farming practices.



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